

Call for Papers

Indigenous Resurgence, Regeneration, and Decolonization through Sport History

Faculty of Kinesiology and Recreation Management

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“Indigenous Resurgence, Regeneration, and Decolonization through Sport History” is a two-day symposium bringing together scholars and community members concerned with the history of sport, physical activity, and embodied physical culture in the Indigenous context. In addition to facilitating the workshopping of research papers, the symposium will also provide historians with the opportunity to learn through dialogue with community members.

The symposium welcomes papers that address Indigenous topics beyond the political boundaries of Canada, including the US, Australia, New Zealand/Aotearoa and other countries. The organizers invite submissions from Indigenous and non-Indigenous scholars that consider questions such as:

- What can sport historians learn from histories of colonization?
- How can Indigenous communities inform the direction taken by sport history scholarship and teaching?
- How can the history of sport (a colonizing practice with European origins) exist in dialogue with Indigenous voices to open up possibilities for reconsidering the history of modern sport?
- How can Indigenous and anti-oppressive research methodologies/methods inform the study of sport history? What are the ethics and responsibilities associated with conducting an Indigenous sport or recreation history?
- How can sport history as a discipline be open to the study of traditional land-based recreation? How can the meanings of “sport” be made more inclusive to include a variety of recreational practices?
- How can sport historians contribute to a more reciprocal approach to knowledge formation through Indigenous community engagement?
- How can the discipline of sport history meaningfully support movements of Indigenous resurgence, regeneration, and decolonization?
- What are the dominant intellectual currents in Indigenous Studies and how can these be incorporated into the study of sport history?

If interested please submit a 500-word abstract and a 200-word biography to Russell Field (russell.field@umanitoba.ca) by December 1, 2017. Those selected will be notified by December 15, 2017 and required to provide a 5,000-7,000-word paper by March 31, 2018. Selected participants will present a 10-15 minute version of their longer paper at the workshop, which will also be read and commented upon by other participants. Financial support will be provided for accommodation and meals during the duration of the workshop. **Successful papers will be eligible to appear in a special issue of the *Journal of Sport History*.**

This workshop will be held just prior (May 23-24) to the annual meeting of the North American Society for Sport History (NASSH) at the Fort Garry Hotel in Winnipeg (May 25-28). Participants are strongly encouraged to attend both events and to also present their scholarship at NASSH. See www.nassh.org for more details or contact one of the organizers (below) with any questions.

The University of Manitoba campuses are located on Treaty 1 territory, the original lands of Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. Their historical relationships with the land continue to this day.

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